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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. 121

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Restriction Requirement and Request for Election dated February 10, 2004, setting a one (1) month term for response. For the Examiner's convenience, all pending claims are listed below. Prior to examination of the application, please amend the specification and claims of the above-identified application as listed below.